



# Rangitikei District Council

## Bulls Community Committee Meeting

Minutes – Tuesday 12 April 2016 – 5:30 p.m.

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**Present:** Mr Hew Dalrymple (Chair)  
Ms Jane Dunn  
Ms Sandra Boxall  
Mr Braden Hammond  
Ms Carol Lewis  
Mr Keith Scott  
Ms Heather Thorby  
Mr Andy Walker  
Cr Rebecca McNeil  
Cr Tim Harris  
His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson

**In attendance:** Mr Michael Hodder, Community & Regulatory Services Group Manager

## 1 Welcome

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

## 2 Apologies

That the apologies for absence from Mr J Guinan be received.

Mr K Scott / Ms H Thorby. Carried

## 3 Matters arising not elsewhere on the agenda

- Public toilets in Bulls.

## 4 Council decisions on recommendations from the Committee

The Committee noted that there were no recommendations from the Committee to Council meeting 29 February 2016.

## 5 Confirmation of minutes

**Resolved minute number**                      **16/BCC/009**                      **File Ref**

That the Minutes of the Bulls Community Committee meeting held on 18 March 2016 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Mr K Scott / Ms H Thorby. Carried

## 6 'What's new, what's changed...?' –Consultation Document for the 2016/17 Annual Plan

His Worship the Mayor narrated a PowerPoint presentation on 'What's new, what's changed...?' the consultation document to Council's 2016/17 Annual Plan and outlined the consultation process.

He spoke briefly on the proposed rates increases and explained the four new proposals:

- 1 Future delivery of infrastructure services
- 2 Funding for youth services
- 3 Amenity block on Taihape Memorial Park
- 4 Multi-sports artificial turf facilities in Marton

Several questions were raised around the consultation document.

## 7 Other simultaneous consultations:

This item was discussed during the previous item.

## **8 Proposed amendment to the Speed Limit Bylaw to reduce the speed along Parewanui Road**

The Committee discussed the location of signage on Brandon Hall Road and suggested that the signage was not needed, as it would add to the clutter of signage in the proposed area. Mr B Hammond agreed to be the Committee's contact person regarding the appropriate location of signage for this area.

**Resolved minute number**                      **16/BCC/010**                      **File Ref**

That the Bulls Community Committee recommends that the signage associated with the proposed Speed Limit Bylaw amendment along Parewanui Road, Bulls, be amended so that there is no signage on Brandon Hall Road and that an additional sign is placed 50m south of Ferry Road.

Mr B Hammond / Ms C Lewis. Carried

## **9 Update on Bulls Town Centre Plan**

His Worship the Mayor outlined the proposed design of the Multi-Purpose Community Centre. The Committee discussed various aspects of the project.

A 3D model was presented and discussed. The cost estimate for the project is \$3.6 million; \$1.6 million will be ratepayer funded.

The Committee was informed that the date for public feedback on the design has not yet been finalised and that adjustments had been made for the bus area(s) on the Criterion site and Criterion Street.

A report was tabled on the 7-Day Makeover. The Committee expressed disappointment in the process and the changes made to the design after the consultation workshops were complete. The Committee also discussed the feedback process which they saw as 'flimsy'.

The Committee thanked Rangitikei District Council for the allocation made available for the makeover.

## **10 Update on Bulls Wastewater Upgrade Project Focus Group**

The Committee noted that there was no further progress to report.

## **11 Council responses to queries at previous meetings**

The Committee noted that there were no queries raised at the previous meeting that required a response from council staff.

## 12 Small Projects Grant Scheme (balance)

**Resolved minute number**                      **16/BCC/011**                      **File Ref**                      3-CC-1-5

That the memorandum 'Small Projects Grant Scheme Update - April 2016' be received.

Ms H Thorby / Mr B Hammond. Carried

**Resolved minute number**                      **16/BCC/012**                      **File Ref**                      3-CC-1-5

That the Bulls Community Committee approves the expenditure of up to \$500 for the purchase of a shade sail and up to \$150 for plants.

Ms J Dunn / Mr K Scott. Carried

## 13 Te Araroa Trail

The Committee briefly discussed the Domain as a suitable camping site and motor home site, but further research is required.

## 14 Bulls Community Committee organisational paper

Ms H Thorby presented a paper based on the need for the Committee to have their own funding structure. This would make it easier undertake more community projects.

A letter from the Bulls and District Community Trust, associated with Ms H Thorby's report, was tabled at the meeting and read.

Mr Hodder spoke to the Committee on the legal position and the implications of being drawn into the Council's audit process. He commented that the Committee could find an alternate funding partner to undertake projects.

## 15 Evaluating Horizons' One Plan implementation – part one: water quality

**Resolved minute number**                      **16/BCC/013**                      **File Ref**

That the letter 'Evaluating Horizons' One Plan implementation — part one: water quality' be received.

Mr A Walker / Ms J Dunn. Carried

## 16 Current infrastructure projects/upgrades and other Council activities within the ward

The Current infrastructure projects/upgrades and other Council activities within the Bulls ward, will be circulated to members on 11 April 2016.

**Resolved minute number**                      **16/BCC/014**                      **File Ref**

That the memorandum 'Current Infrastructure projects/updates and other Council activities in the Ward' to the Bulls Community Committee meeting on 12 April 2016 be received.

Mr B Hammond / Ms H Thorby. Carried

## 17 General business

### Ms S Boxall

- The sale of Defence Force housing: 17 houses currently on the market; 10 sold/on-offer.

### Mr G Brownlee (Neighbourhood Support)

- Gave an oral report on recent changes to the scheme and the nature of his role.

### Constable R Browne

- Gave a brief report on local police concerns around the number of burglaries in the area.

### Mr K Scott

- Reported on local concerns around the early closure of the public toilets at the Wallace Development site, and the queues of people waiting to use the paraplegic toilet which remains unlocked. This creates a serious hygiene issue after 7pm, especially at long weekends/holidays, and a poor image for Bulls to passing travellers.
- Discussion followed, and the Committee expressed real concern around this issue.

**Resolved minute number**                      **16/BCC/015**                      **File Ref**

That the Bulls Community Committee requests that Council investigates costings, as a matter of urgency, for the following two options to mitigate the issues with the opening hours of the public toilets in Bulls:

- 1 The toilet block remains open 24/7 to the public to have ready access to the facility.
- 2 The toilet block is open from 7am to 10pm and the paraplegic toilet remains open 24/7.

Ms H Thorby / Mr K Scott. Carried

### Mr B Hammond

- Presented a brief report on the fire brigades activities in the community.

**Service Requests**

- A list of service requests is attached.

**18 Next meeting**

Tuesday 12 May 2016, 5.30pm

**19 Meeting closed – 8pm**

**Confirmed/Chair:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_